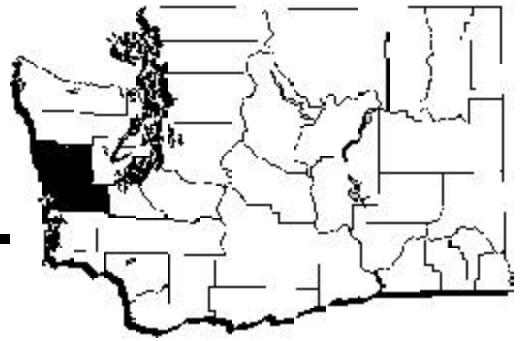


# Grays Harbor County

## WIC Facts 2003

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% infants born  
served by WIC  
69.6%

WIC food dollar  
contribution to  
local economy  
\$1,390,260

WIC foods purchased  
88,878 gallons of milk  
52,716 boxes of cereal  
37,089 cartons of eggs

## WIC serves

Total women and children served ----- 3,871  
Infants and young children ----- 2,773  
Pregnant, breastfeeding, and  
postpartum women ----- 1,098

### Diverse families

Caucasian ----- 66.3%  
Hispanic ----- 19.4%  
African American/Black ----- 1.6%  
Asian/Pacific Islander ----- 1.6%  
Native American/American Indian ----- 11.1%

### Working families

Percent of WIC households with at least one  
working family member ----- 61%

### Families living in poverty

Percent of WIC households with income at or below  
the federal poverty level<sup>1</sup> ----- 76%  
(less than \$1,336 per month for a family of 3)



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## WIC attracts families to preventive health services

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## WIC agencies and sites

Coastal Community Action Program

Copalis Beach

Elma

Humptulips

Montesano

South Puget Intertribal

Planning Agency

Oakville

Grays Harbor Public Health and Human Services

Aberdeen

Pacific County Public Health and Human Services

Grayland

Quinault Indian Nation

Taholah

### Statewide WIC Facts

- WIC served 48.2% of all infants born in Washington state
- WIC served 260,000 women and children  
**WIC provides nutritious foods, nutrition education, referrals and breastfeeding information.**
- WIC contributed \$94.5 million to local economies
- WIC attracted families to preventive health services  
**In 2003, more than 19,400 calls to the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies statewide referral line were from families calling for WIC.<sup>2</sup> With this one call, they got help finding WIC and also received information about other preventive health services.**
- WIC was a gateway to health-related services  
**Over 1.3 million times last year, WIC staff discussed these services with families and provided the information and support needed to access them successfully.**
- WIC breastfeeding rate reached 83.2%<sup>3</sup>  
**Breastfeeding support and education are key parts of WIC because breastfed children have fewer infections and are less likely to develop chronic conditions like obesity and diabetes later in life.**

<sup>1</sup>Washington WIC Client Information Management System (CIMS), household income at or below 105% federal poverty level

<sup>2</sup>Healthy Mothers Healthy Babies Coalition of Washington State, Quarterly Report, 4th Quarter 2003

<sup>3</sup>"Mothers Survey, Ross Products Division, and Abbott Laboratories." © 2003 – Abbott Laboratories.